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FOLLOWING REPEAT CAIRO 7670 SENT ACTION SECSTATE MAY 5TH.

QUOTE: S E C R E T CAIRO 7670

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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, US, EG

SUBJECT: FAHMY'S QUERY RE SOVIETS

REF: (A) STATE 95761, (B) CAIRO 6862

1. FAHMY FINALLY RETURNED TO CAIRO YESTERDAY AFTERNOON AND I MET WITH HIM TODAY TO DISCUSS VARIOUS OUTSTANDING MATTERS. AMONG OTHER THINGS, I GAVE HIM OUR VIEWS ON YOUR UPCOMING TALKS WITH GROMYKO. I INVITED HIS ATTENTION TO OUR INTEREST IN ANY SUGGESTIONS FAHMY MIGHT WANT TO MAKE ABOUT OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH THE SOVIETS IN GENEVA.

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2. FAHMY WAS CLEARLY TIRED AND WAS SUFFERING FROM A BAD COLD. AS A RESULT, HE WAS LISTLESS AND COMPLAINED AGAIN (AS HE HAS SO OFTEN IN THE PAST) ABOUT THE "EXERCISES IN COMPOSITION" THAT HE GETS FROM US. I EMPHASIZED TO HIM THAT WE ARE GIVING SERIOUS REPLIES TO HIS QUERIES AND WANT TO CONTINUE TO DO SO. IT BECOMES DIFFICULT, HOWEVER, WHEN HE DISMISSES OUR REPLIES AS SIMPLE "COMPOSITION" EXERCISES.

3. FAHMY THEN SAID THAT HE WILL WANT TO STUDY OUR  
COMMENTS FOR A DAY OR TWO BEFORE GIVING US ANY CONSIDERED  
SUGGESTIONS. HIS IMMEDIATE REACTION WAS THAT  
IT IS A MISTAKE TO GIVE THE SOVIETS THE IMPRESSION  
THAT WE REGARD THEM AS HAVING A GREAT INFLUENCE WITH  
THE PLO. HE ARGUED THAT THIS IS NOT THE CASE. AS FOR SUGGESTING  
TO THE SOVIETS THAT THEY URGE IRAQ AND LIBYA  
TO STOP OR TONE DOWN REJECTIONIS ATTITUDES TOWARDS THE  
NEGOTIATIONS, FAHMY CONTENDED THAT NEITHER IRAQ NOR LIBYA  
HAS ANY ROLE TO PLAY IN THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS. IRAQ  
AND LIBYA WILL REMAIN REJECTIONIST IN THEIR ATTITUDES  
REGARDLESS OF WHAT THE SOVIETS OR ANYONE ELSE SAYS TO  
THEM. IN ANY CASE, HE WOULD WANT TO TALK TO ME AGAIN  
ABOUT THE MATTER IN A FEW DAYS. EILTS  
UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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